GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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SHORTAGE OF FODDER
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether animals are not getting fodder due to drought situation in various States of the country;

(b) if so, the number of animals died as a result thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government have assessed the requirement of the fodder in the country at present;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)
(a): Yes, Sir.
(b): There is no report from the affected States in this regard.
(c): Yes, Sir.
(d): Details of the requirement of the fodder in the country is given in Annexure.
(e): Government takes a number of remedial actions like release of funds from the CRF/NCCF, facilitation of free transport of fodder by Railways, Relief to cattle camps, collection and dissemination of information on availability and requirement of fodder, distribution of fodder seeds minikits, liaison with cattle feed manufacturers, NDDB, State Governments etcBesides, Government of India has revived two components of the old Centrally Sponsored Scheme- `Assistance to States for Feed and Fodder Development` Establishment of Fodder Bank and Enrichment of Straw/cellulosic waste to facilitate the release to the State Governments to mitigate the fodder scarcity. Departmental farms have been instructed to produce more fodder and supply to the farmers on cost basis.
ANNEXURE

THE REQUIREMENT OF FODDER IN THE COUNTRY STATE-WISE

STATE	REQUIREMENT (000 tonne;.)	
	DRY FODDER (;REEN FODDER	
Andhra Pradesh	38042	16521
Assam	12920	6461
Bihar	55831	27916
Gujaral	21849	10924
Haryiana	10441	5221
Himachal Pradesh	5900	2950
J&K	7784	3892
Karnalaka	27118	13559
Kerala	8248	4124
Madhya Pradesh	57561	28781
Mahara-shtra	38051	19025
Manipur	2756	1378
Meghalaya	1629	815
Nagaland	577	288
Orissa	19137	24569
Punjab	23235	12345
Rajasthan	25838	12919
Sikkim	403	201
Tamil Nadu	16055	8028
Tripura	1104	552
UIttar Pradesh	93604	46802
West Bengal	29082	14541